

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SOUTH RIDING OF NORFOLK :

GENTLEMEN :

The Legislative Assembly of Ontario having been dissolved, and new elections ordered immediately ; I, therefore, again offer myself as an Independent Candidate for your free suffrages.

The leading measures more particularly affecting the general good of the Province which received my support were the distribution of the Railway Aid and Subsidy Fund set apart for that purpose ;

The consolidation of the School Laws ;

The consolidation of the Municipal Laws ;

The acts to provide for taking of votes of Electors at the Ontario Parliamentary and Municipal Elections ;

The several Bills for the settlement of Municipal Loan Fund Debts, and for the distribution of the surplus arising therefrom equitably among the now borrowing and unindebted municipalities of the Province of Ontario.

These, with many other measures of less magnitude, having a beneficial influence on the general interests, received my cordial support, particularly all rational measures for the repression of crime and intemperance.

To induce the more rapid settlement and development of Northern Ontario, the existing and past policy of the Crown Lands Department requires revision and liberalizing in favor of agricultural and other settlers, and for the better preservation of our valuable Forests, so as to check the emigration of our own people from our Province,

and repress the retarding influences of monopolizing jobbers and speculators.

In the event of your confiding again to my hands the important and responsible duties devolving upon an Independent representative in Parliament, I shall endeavor to the best of my ability to infuse into every department of the administration of your affairs a spirit of justice, efficiency and economy compatible with the public welfare and without respect to party politics, solemnly believing that the country's welfare should be paramount to all exigencies of Party. I feel that I can appeal to a Parliamentary record for the last eight years, (although not without blemishes), as an Independent Conservative with fewer objections than many of my predecessors.

It is the duty of the Agricultural people of Ontario to strengthen, on the floor of the Ontario Legislature, the great Agricultural and Manufacturing interests of the country, and weaken the all-powerful influences of existing corporations now corrupting the sources of pure legislation and tampering with the free exercise of the franchise. To resist those baneful influences, to strengthen the civil and political rights of a Province of yeomanry, shall at all times command my energetic efforts, claiming to be the poor man's friend and the oppressor's foe.

I am fellow electors,

Faithfully yours,

S. M'CALL

Victoria, Jan. 7th, 1875

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